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SUBJECT: IRAQI REACTION TO U.S. REASSESSMENT OF ME POLICY

1. OFFICIAL AL-JUMHURIYAH MADE ITS FIRST COMMENT ON U.S. REASSESSMENT OF ME POLICY ON APRIL 29. EDITORIAL EXCERPTS FOLLOW:

2. /SINCE FIRST REPORTS ON SO-CALLED REASSESSMENT PROCESS CAME IN, IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED THAT WHOLE THING BOILED DOWN TO A PARTIAL REDUCTION IN AMERICAN MILITARY AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO ZIONIST ENTITY DURING FORTHCOMING FISCAL YEAR. TEL AVIV IS TO RECEIVE 1,000 MILLION DOLLARS INSTEAD OF 1,500 MILLION DOLLARS OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE AS WAS ORIGINALLY PLANNED. EVEN REDUCED FIGURE REPRESENTED AN INCREASE IN AMERICAN ASSISTANCE OF ISRAEL COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR. NET RESULT IS THAT AMERICAN ASSISTANCE TO ISRAEL HAS BEEN INCREASED WHEREAS WASHINGTON IS STRIVING TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT IT HAS PUNISHED TEL AVIV FOR NOT RESPONDING TO AMERICAN DEMANDS.

3. "AMERICAN HYPOCRISY BECOMES UGLIER STILL WHEN WE TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THAT THIS YEAR THE ZIONIST ENEMY RECEIVED MORE THAN 800 MILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF AMERICAN MILITARY ASSISTANCE OVER AND ABOVE 2,200 MILLION DOLLARS IN EMERGENCY AID TO HELP THE ZIONISTS

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REPLENISH THEIR ARSENAL AND MAKE UP FOR THE LOSSES INCURRED IN

THE OCTOBER WAR." THE PAPER CONCLUDED THAT SO-CALLED RE-
ASSESSMENT OF AMERICAN POLICY IN ARAB REGION IS MORE APPARENT
THAN REAL.
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